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The editors of the Overseas Press Club Bulletin take this highly expensive space to wish all members and their families a very Merry Christmas

OVERSEAS TICKER

NAIROBI

The Press Club of East Africa, Kenya branch held its inaugural dinner recently and from reports reaching the Bulletin, the whole thing was a gigantic success. OPC President *Louis Lochner* had sent a cable and letter to the new club, both of which were read by the toastmaster, who managed to stay articulate longer than most. One hundred and sixty members and guests attended, among them Kenya's governor, Sir Evelyn Baring; Commander-in-Chief, East Africa, Lt. Gen. G.W. Lathbury; and Kenya's police chief, Richard C. Catling. The U.S. was represented by Mr. and Mrs. *John A. Noon*, USIS officer in Nairobi, and by the voice of *Ed Hughes* of Time and Life, who has passed through a few days earlier and had been press-ganged into putting a few cheery words on tape for broadcast at the dinner. The new Club's secretary, Harold G. Laycock, sender of this report on the Kenya Press Club, extends a warm welcome to all OPCers who find themselves in Nairobi.

MEXICO CITY

Art and Betty Reef here from New York, following a Miami stopover on a combination holiday-work trip. Scheduled to get back to New York in time for the New Year's Eve party.

TAIPEI

Geraldine Fitch took off her plaster cast (result of a broken leg suffered in a fall) on Nov. 22, "an ordeal," she writes, "so painful that only my Oriental restraint (acquired) kept me from exploding (Continued on page 3)"

CHRISTMAS SEASON AT THE OPC: CHILDREN, GROWNUPS TO BE FETED



Stevens: Back to the mines

STEVENS LEAVES ROME FOR LOOK AT MOSCOW POST

Ed Stevens, formerly Christian Science Monitor Mediterranean Bureau chief has been named by Look to head its newly established Moscow bureau.

The Pulitzer-prize-winning correspondent was a Monitor war correspondent in the Soviet Union in 1943 and 1944, and later Stevens was the newspaper's correspondent in Moscow for three years. His wife is Russian-born and Stevens himself speaks fluent Russian.

He will go to the Soviet Union shortly after the first of the year.

Stevens, whose Pulitzer award was for international reporting in 1950, is the author of a new book, published last month by Coward-McCann, titled "North African Powder Keg." Two previous books dealt with Russia — "Russia Is No Riddle" and "This Is Russia Uncensored."

OPC Christmas festivities will be kicked off on Monday, Dec. 19, with a children's party at the Club headquarters. On Tuesday, members and their guests will ring in the Yule season at a Norwegian dinner with a Christmas theme.

The Monday party, for children of OPC members, will run from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. and will feature entertainment of an international flavor, including a Mexican *pinata* and the appearance from the Okefenokee Swamp of Walt Kelly, creator of the comic strip "Pogo," who will draw his characters for the children and their parents. A magician will perform and refreshments will be sewed. There is no charge for either children or adults.

At the Norwegian dinner on Tuesday, the piece de resistance will be reindeer steak, with Norwegian entertainment and door prizes.

Reservations are necessary for the dinner, and are requested for the children's party.

A VISITOR FROM PARIS

Curt L. Heymann, Bulletin correspondent in Paris and prime mover in keeping the Overseas Press Club active in the City of Light, checked into New

Club Calendar

Monday, Dec. 19 — Christmas Party for the children of members. 3:30 to 5 p.m.... Reservations.

Tuesday, Dec. 20 — Norwegian Dinner.

Thursday, Dec. 29 — CBS Overseas Correspondents Round-up. Luncheon, 12:30 p.m. Members only.

Saturday, Dec. 31 — New Year's Eve Party.

Thursday, Jan. 26 — Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor. Luncheon, 12:30 p.m.

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York this week for his first look at the big city in almost four years. He had his first look at the new Club headquarters and apparently liked what he saw, since he has been making the

COURT UPHOLDS TIMES FIRING OF BARNET

The firing of Melvin Barnet, a New York Times copy editor, for refusing to testify before a Senate committee was justified, a New York State Supreme Court justice ruled this week.

Justice Felix C. Benvenge's decision, handed down Monday, upheld the position of the New York Times management as to the meaning of its collective-bargaining agreement with the New York local of the American Newspaper Guild. Justice Benvenge's ruling said that the dismissal was not subject to arbitration within the terms of the Times Guild contract, as the Guild had maintained.

M. Michael Potoker, secretary-treasurer of the New York Guild, said the decision would be appealed.

Barnet was discharged on July 13 this year after he declined to answer questions on his membership in the Communist Party prior to February, 1942. His refusal was on grounds of possible self-incrimination, and Arthur Hays Sulzberger, president and publisher of the Times, subsequently dismissed him, stating that his refusal to testify had "caused the Times to lose confidence in you as a member of its news staff."

The Guild argued that the firing should go to arbitration under the terms house on 39th St. his headquarters. He leaves again for Paris in time to cover the elections on January 2.

Heymann was entertained at lunch on Tuesday by the Committee for Liaison with Overseas Members, at which time he expressed the good and bad side to being an OPC member overseas.

of its contract with the Times. It argued that management's reasons as stated in the Sulzberger letter were not "good and sufficient," and that Barnet was entitled reinstatement with back pay.

Justice Benvenge's decision was based primarily on the fact that members of the Times Guild unit had voted 337 to 235 against arbitration in a Guild-conducted referendum. The referendum had been preceded by a report by the Times unit's grievance committee, which had voted eleven to four against taking the case to arbitration.

PEOPLE & PLACES...

Helen Zotos collaborated with Cardinal Mindszenty's nephew, Laszlo Szamosfalvi, in a three-installment series in the American Weekly that lifted the Iron Curtain of secrecy surrounding the fate of Hungary's primate as a communist captive.

Esther Van Wagoner Tufty en route to Tokyo and Korea, where she will make TV films for NBC-TV, broadcast for Weekday and write for Tufty News Bureau. Not so incidentally, she will spend Christmas with her flying son, James Tufty, stationed at Camp Drake near Tokyo.

Millie Considine, wife of Bob Considine, OPC former president, is doing two columns of her own - a weekly in the Morning Telegraph and a monthly in the Washington Diplomat... Dean Carl W. Ackerman of the Columbia University School of Journalism has been elected a life member of the National Geographic Society.

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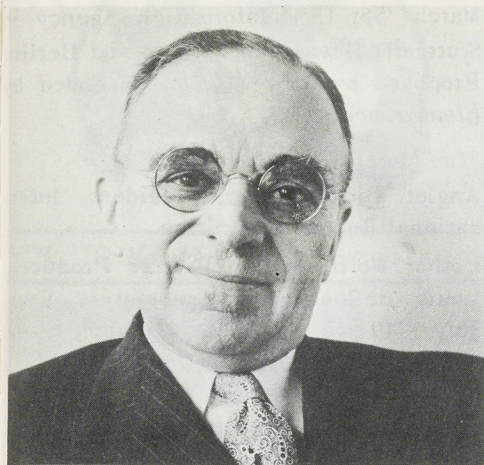
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**Ernst: Looking ahead at 68
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THE PAST 55 YEARS**

OPCer *Morris Ernst* will be the young man looking into the future at the Hospitality Committee's Dec. 27 discussion of the twentieth century, while Dr. Arthur J. Brown will appraise the past 55 years.

Ernst, the author of the recently published "Utopia 1976," is 68 years old. Brown is 99 and a prominent theologian, elector of the Hall of Fame, and a director of Andrew Carnegie's Church Peace Union Endowment.

Brown will view the century from his near-centanarian vantage point, taking a long, hard look of what we have done and what we have left undone. Ernst, who is an attorney and civil libertarian in addition to being an author, will attempt to look into the future to tell Club members and guests what to expect in the years ahead.

The two men will be guests of honor at the Open House on Tuesday, Dec. 27, with cocktails starting at 6 p.m.

The Hospitality Committee further announces that the door fee has been eliminated at the Tuesday open houses.

Overseas Ticker (Continued from p. 1) like Russia's H-bomb of same date." She further notes that *Hank Lieberman* of the Times flew in to Taipei from Hong Kong and Saigon on Dec. 7 to interview Nationalist China's Foreign Minister George Yeh on the Formosa government's position on the U.N. package deal.

CAIRO

OPC Vice President *Hal Lehrman*, who has been viewing the Pyramids and other things here, left the other day for further inspection of the Arab States. He expects to be back in New York around the end of January.

TREGASKIS, WIFE COME HOME TO "NEW" HOUSE

Dick Tregaskis, accompanied by his wife Walton, who uses a camera to illustrate his pieces, writes that he has just returned to the U.S. from a two-and-one-half month trip to Germany and England, on assignment for *Sports Illustrated* and *Nation's Business*.

The trip, he says, was "our third of the year, with two previous ones to Japan, and to Hong Kong, the Philippines, and Formosa. We have a new house we just bought a year ago, but we have managed to spend ten months since we got it away on assignments. In Berlin, we talked to Gary Stindt of NBC and to Joe Singer of INS, but despite their assistance, we were unable to obtain visas to Moscow. In East Berlin, we were tailed by Red cops. Saw Carl and Sheeley Mydans and Don Burke of Life in London."

People & Places (Continued from p. 2)

Ernie Hill, Chicago Daily News London correspondent, is covering North Africa for a month, starting with the

return of the Sultan to Morocco. *Bill Stoneham* of the Paris office is the British capital while Hill is away. Rabat, Fez and Tangier are the temporary scenes of Ernie's operations.

The 1955 award for the "best government public relations" went to *Mrs. Lee K. Jaffe*, director of p.r. for the Port of New York Authority, at a joint meeting of the Government Public Relations Association and the American Municipal Association in Miami recently. In 1950 and 1951 Mrs. Jaffe received the American Public Relations Association Association top award in the field of government public relations.

John Day, *Howard Kany* and *Jack Fern* of CBS News conducted a breakfast discussion session in Denver at the annual convention of the Radio-Television News Directors Association. *Ted Koop*, CBS Washington, and *Sam Zelman*, CBS Los Angeles, also attended.

The second issue of the new weekly, *National Review*, features an article by *Eugene Lyons*, former OPC president. It is entitled, "Lest We Remember!"



Photographer's Notebook: Life photographer FRITZ GORO checks an Australian aborigine's spear while covering tribal rite for the Life series on "The Epic of Man." For this story, which appeared in Life last week, Goro spent two months on the Milingimbi and Yirrkala Islands off the coast of Australia's Northern Territory. One friend he made in this time had been accused of killing a rival clansman. Through the alleged (watch those libel laws) killer's influence, Goro was allowed to photograph the feud-settling ritual with the enemy clan, as well as the tribe's circumcision ceremony. When the pictures of the aborigines hit the stands this week, Goro was off again, this time to accompany Admiral Byrd and his U.S. Navy expedition to the Antarctic.

NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

ACTIVE

Hillel Bernstein, free lance. Chicago Times (Paris) 1924-26; Paris Times 1926-28; United Feature Syndicate 1930; Overseas Bureau of OWI 1942-45; Reporter Magazine 1952-53. Proposed by *David Bernstein*, seconded by *Geraldine Sartain*.

Rhea Clyman, Bache & Co. London Daily Express (Moscow) 1929-33; London Daily Telegraph (Munich) 1933-39; London Daily Telegraph (Ottawa & Montreal) 1939-41; NY Herald Tribune (Munich) 1934-38. Proposed by *Spencer Williams*, seconded by *Eugene Lyons*.

Wilma Dobie, Benjamin Sonnenberg. Ladies Home Journal, American Girl (London, Switzerland) June to August 1946; American Legion Magazine European Edition (Paris) Jan. '48 to Sept. '48. Proposed by *David Murray*, seconded by *Ed Wergeles*.

H. Peter Dreyer, European Editor of NY Journal of Commerce in Germany since 1954. Proposed by *John M. Anspacher*, seconded by *Max R. Grossman*.

Jack D. Fendell, Regional Mgr., King Features Syndicate and INS. Representative of King Features and INS since 1931; June 1938 to Dec. 1941 and Jan. 1944 to Dec. 1948 correspondent for INS (Bogota, Columbia); Dec. 1941 to Dec. 1943 Panama Canal Zone (accredited as war correspondent).

James M. Quigley, Bonn correspondent, Stars and Stripes in Germany since 1950. Salt Lake Telegram from 1947 to 1950; Union-Star from 1946 to 1947. Proposed

by *Malcolm Muir, Jr.*; seconded by *Robert McCormick*.

Ogden R. Reid, president and editor, NY Herald Tribune. President of NY Herald Tribune S.A. from Feb. 1953 to March 1955; Paris Editor, European Edition. Proposed by *A. Wilfred May*, seconded by *Ansel E. Talbert*.

Thom Yates, Ethyl Corp. April to Oct. 1945 (Paris Bureau) Stars and Stripes; 1940-43 PR Dept., U.S. Military Academy, West Point; 1936-40 Newspapers in Newsburgh and Poughkeepsie, NY. Proposed by *Ralph S. Clark*, seconded by *John B. Goodman*.

ASSOCIATE

Charles Merrill Halverson, consultant adv., promotion, PR. PIO, Assembly Area Command Marne, France April to Nov. 1945. Proposed by *Joseph Willicombe, Jr.*; seconded by *Larry Newman*.

Henning Koefoed, manager, Norwegian National Travel Office since Oct. 1954. Press Officer, West Norway Command from May to Sept. 1945; director, Norwegian National Travel Office (Stockholm) from Jan. '50 to Oct. '54. Proposed by *Dewitt S. Davidson*, seconded by *Thomas P. Kennedy*.

Dean A. Myers, TV Publicity Dept., J. Walter Thompson Co. Columbus Dispatch from Jan. '40 to July 29, 1955. Proposed by *Al Durante*, seconded by *Roland Gammon*.

Egon Eduard Weck, free lance. U.S. Resident Officer and U.S. Information Officer in the Office of U.S. High Commissioner for Germany from Oct. '50 to

March '55; U.S. Information Agency in Stuttgart, Duesseldorf, Bonn and Berlin. Proposed by *N.F. Allman*, seconded by *Elmer Lower*.

AFFILIATE

Angier Biddle Duke, president, International Rescue Committee.

Lothar Wolff, Motion Picture Producer, Louis deRochemont Associates. From July '49 to Oct. '50 organized and headed Motion Picture Unit for ECA in Paris; from May '53 to Feb. '55 headed motion picture advisory group to government of Republic of Indonesia for Louis deRochemont Associates.

NEW MEMBERSHIPS

The Chairman of the Admissions Committee announces the election to membership of the following candidate:

ASSOCIATE

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Gertrude Samuels, New York Times.

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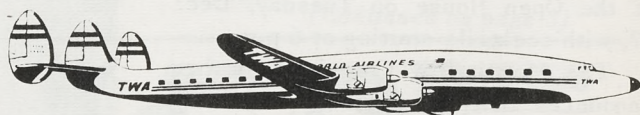
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